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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2002 (the "Official Action") applicants respectfully request the following response be entered. It is believed that no additional fees are due as this response is being filed within the shortened statutory period of one